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WILMINGTON, N. C., November 2, 1859.

The Synod of North Carolina met according to adjournment, in Wilmington on Wednesday the 2d day of November, 1859, at 7 o'clock, P. M., and was opened with a sermon by the Rev. Jacob Doll, Moderator, from Revelation 4c, and part of the 11th verse. "Thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."

After the sermon, the Sessions of Synod were constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

Upon calling the roll of ministers and churches, the following members were found to be present.

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—Thomas Lynch, G. W. Ferrill, Edward Hines, Jacob Doll, A. Currie, S. A. Stanfield, F. N. Whaley, T. U. Faucette, T. G. Wall, J. M. Sherwood, J. W. Montgomery, P. H. Dalton, Willis L. Miller, P. A. McMartin, J. B. Shearer, J. Henry Smith and F. H. Johnston.

Ruling Elders—G. W. White, David Wharton, Stephen Neal, Andrew Hughes, W. J. Bingham, Alexander Dixon, Jacob Vanderveer, N. Tally and N. M. Roan.

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—D. A. Penick, Sr., Robert Burwell, S. B. O. Wilson, E. F. Rockwell, A. Baker, Walter W. Pharr, Thomas N. Paxton, James B. Watt, R. H. Lafferty, Samuel C. Pharr, D. D., P. T. Penick, Samuel C. Alexander, E. D. Junkin, B. S. Krider, Jethro Rumple, D. A. Penick, Jr., William W. Pharr, William Wood and John D. Wilson.

Ruling Elders—J. K. Graham, T. W. Neill, R. M. Roseborough, D. A. Davis, Thomas A. Allison, James H. Greenlee, John Heart, E. C. Wallace, D. A. Caldwell, E. Rice, E. Nye Hutchison, M. W. Johnston, N. Johnston, Richard Adams, Thomas A. Wilson, D. C. Shaw and T. C. Alexander.

PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

Ministers—Robert Tate, Hector McLean, Hector McNeill, J. P. McPherson, F. K. Nash, Hugh A. Monroe, Colin Shaw, George M. Gibbs, Matthew B. Grier, Duncan B. Black, Daniel Johnson, Neill McDonald, George McNeill, D. T. Towles, Martin McQueen, George A. Russell, Archibald McQueen and Jno. C. Sinclair.

Ruling Elders—J. S. McArthur, John D. McNeill, D. McLaurin, James A. Smith, D. P. McNair, Milton McIntosh, L. McNeill, Evander McGilvary, N. T. Harris, James H. Dickson, John W. Boney, Duncan Campbell, R. W. Moore, J. B. Pigford, William Shaw, J. W. Cromartie, N. A. Currie, Samuel Player, Dugald McIntyre, Patrick Murphy and Alexander Kelly.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

Ministers—E. W. Caruthers, D. D., A. Wilson, D. D., E. C. Bittinger, A. G. Hughes, C. K. Caldwell, N. Z. Graves, J. M. Kirkpatrick, J. M. Atkinson, T. B. Neill, and E. H. Harding.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

Ministers—W. S. Pharr, R. H. Morrison, D. D., Stephen Frontis, Jesse Rankin, Drury Lacy, D. D., Daniel Lindley, T. P. Johnston, J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, W. N. Morrison, R. H. Chapman, D. D., John E. McPherson, R. N. Davis, James M.

Walker, W. C. Sheetz, W. S. Moore, T. W. Erwin, G. D. Parks, Alexander Sinclair, L. L. Stewart, John C. Carson, W. Graves, J. C. Stewart, Nathan Shotwell.

ABSENT—PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

Ministers—Simeon Colton, D. D., Adam Gilchrist, Neill Mc Kay, Hector McAlister, James Sprunt, Duncan D. McBryde, James C. Sinclair, James McQueen and N. T. Bowden.

The roll being completed, Synod proceeded to the election of officers; and the Rev. F. K. Nash was unanimously elected Moderator and Rev. E. D. Junkin and Rev. R. H. Lafferty were chosen temporary clerks.

On motion, the time for the business of the Synod was fixed from 9½ A. M. until 1 P. M., and from 3 P. M. until 5 P. M.

The Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

THURSDAY, NOV. 3rd, 1859.

Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called, and the minutes of yesterday were read and corrected.

Mr. Sandy McKinley, Ruling Elder, from Concord Presbytery, Mr. M. McKay, Ruling Elder, from Fayetteville Presbytery, and Mr. John A. Womack, Ruling Elder, from Orange Presbytery, appeared in Synod and took their seats.

Letters were received from Rev. D. Lacy, D. D., and Rev. Stephen Frontis, giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present sessions of Synod.

Mr. George McNeill, one of the Trustees of Synod, tendered his resignation which was accepted.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

On Bills and Overtures.—Ministers—D. A. Penick, Sen., P. A. McMartin, and E. W. Caruthers, D. D. *Ruling Elders*—D. A. Davis and D. A. Caldwell.

Judicial Committee.—Ministers—J. Doll, E. F. Rockwell, and R. Burwell. *Ruling Elders*—Wm. J. Bingham and E. Nye Hutchison.

On Minutes of Orange Presbytery.—Ministers—William W. Pharr and G. M. Gibbs. *Ruling Elder*—Alexander Kelly.

On Minutes of Concord Presbytery.—Ministers—S. A. Stanfield and A. Currie. *Ruling Elder*, N. M. Roan.

On Minutes of Fayetteville Presbytery.—Ministers—Thomas Lynch and E. Hines. *Ruling Elder*—A. Hughes.

On the Narrative.—Ministers—J. M. Sherwood and Daniel Johnston. *Ruling Elder*—T. W. Neill.

On Devotional Exercises.—Ministers—M. B. Grier and M. McQueen. *Ruling Elder*, J. H. Dickson.

On the Treasurer's Account.—Charles Phillips and J. W. Cromartie, *Ruling Elders.*

On the Minutes of the General Assembly.—Ministers—E. W. Caruthers, D. D., and W. W. Pharr. *Ruling Elder*—C. Phillips.

On Union Theological Seminary.—Ministers—D. A. Penick, Sen., and S. A. Stanfield.—*Ruling Elder*—N. M. Roan.

Messrs. Thomas Webb and Malcom Shaw, Ruling Elders, from Orange Presbytery, appeared in Synod and took their seats.

Rev. E. W. Caruthers, D. D., from Orange Presbytery, and Rev. Neill McKay from Fayetteville Presbytery, appeared in Synod and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Rev. S. Mattoon, a member of the Synod of Albany, Rev. H. N. Pharr, a member of the Synod of Alabama, Rev. E. Harris, a member of the Synod of New Jersey, and Rev. Dr. Nott, of the Reformed Dutch Church of the Classis of Schenectady, being present, were invited to sit as Corresponding members.

Thomas Lynch, G. W. Ferrill and A. Currie, Ministers of

Orange Presbytery, J. E. Morrison, of Concord Presbytery, Duncan B. Black and Daniel Johnson of Fayetteville Presbytery being called on, rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of Synod.

Charles Phillips, Ruling Elder, from the Presbytery of Orange appeared and took his seat.

Letters were received from Rev. A. Sinclair and Rev. A. Gilchrist, giving satisfactory reasons for their absence from the present sessions of Synod.

A communication was received from the Synod of Virginia, asking this Synod to unite with them in petitioning the General Assembly to change the boundary line between these two Synods.

This communication was referred to a special committee consisting of J. Doll, S. C. Pharr, D. D., and A. Baker, Ministers, with N. Tally, Ruling Elder.

Dr. D. P. Weir, Ruling Elder, from Orange Presbytery appeared in Synod and took his seat.

Statesville, N. C., was chosen as the place of the next regular meeting of Synod, to commence on Wednesday the 24th day of October, 1860, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

The annual Report of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary was read and referred to the standing committee on the Seminary.

The 4th class of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary was re-elected with the exception that the name of Rev. T. U. Faucette was substituted in the place of the name of Rev. A. Currie.

The Stated Clerk presented the following report on the standing rules of Synod which was accepted and adopted:

1. On page 286.

Resolved, That the standing rule of this body touching the disposition of excuses rendered for absence be, and the same is hereby reversed, and, that hereafter no excuse for absence shall be regarded as satisfactory unless it be sustained by a direct vote of Synod upon its merits.

2. On page 292.

Resolved, That the resolutions appended to the reports on the Boards of the Church be printed in an Appendix to the Minutes.

3. On page 315.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be directed to issue and sign certificates for the return of members and their families on the rail-roads of the State to their homes.

4. On page 339.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerks of Presbyteries be directed to transfer to the Stated Clerk of Synod a correct and certified roll of the ministers at least ten days before the meeting.

5. On page 358.

Resolved, That the subject of Systematic Benevolence be made a standing item on the docket of Synod, and the Presbyteries be called upon to make annual reports of diligence in this matter.

6. On page 366.

Resolved, That it be a standing rule of this Synod to publish the names of the Elders in the Appendix to the minutes.

2. That it be enjoined upon each Minister to forward to the Stated Clerk of Synod, the names and Post Offices of the Elders in the different Churches as soon as possible.

7. On page 217.

Resolved, That it be enjoined upon each member of Synod hereafter, when providentially prevented from attending Synod, to address a letter to the Moderator, stating reasons for his detention.

8. On page 222.

That we will ensure the payment of the expenses of our Directors, necessarily incurred, in attending the Meetings of the Board in our Seminary.

9. On page 225.

1. *Resolved*, That this Synod will appoint one agent on each of the Boards, viz: Of Foreign Missions, Domestic Missions and Education; and that these agents be required to take into consideration the whole field committed to their supervision, and present at each meeting of Synod a written report of all that is

doing within the bounds of Synod, on the subjects severally assigned to them.

2. That the consideration of these reports be a special order of the day at each meeting of Synod.

Your Clerk would further report the officers of Synod as ordered:

1. Rev. Neill McKay, Agent for the Board of Education.

2. Rev. S. A. Stanfield, Agent of the Board of Domestic Missions and Church Extension.

3. Rev. Cyrus K. Caldwell, Agent of the Board of Colportage.

4. Rev. A. Baker, Agent of the Board of Foreign Missions.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. BAKER, *Stated Clerk.*

A committee was appointed to bring in a minute on the death of Rev. William N. Mebane, consisting of Rev. P. H. Dalton, Rev. J. W. Montgomery, and Mr. Stephen Neal.

Resolutions from the Church of Charlotte were read, and referred to the committee on Bills and Overtures.

The Treasurer of Synod presented his account, which was referred to the standing committee on the Treasurer's Account.

Rev. Archibald Baker tendered his resignation as Stated Clerk of Synod, which was accepted, and the thanks of Synod were tendered to him for his faithfulness in the discharge of that office.

Synod then proceeded to the election of a Stated Clerk, which resulted in the choice of the Rev. Jacob Doll.

Resolved, That it be a standing rule, that hereafter a majority of all the votes given shall be necessary in the election of officers.

The committee on Devotional Exercises made a report in part.

The Synod was invited by the Library Association of Wilmington to attend a lecture, this evening at 8 o'clock, by Dr. James H. Dickson, which was accepted, and the thanks of the Synod were tendered for the invitation.

A committee consisting of Rev. H. A. Munroe and Mr. D. A. Davis was appointed to see the different Rail Road and Steam

Boat agents, and have return tickets printed for members and their families.

Synod then took recess until 3 o'clock.

After recess Synod met.

Mr. John Everett and Mr. Malcom McLeod, Ruling Elders from Fayetteville Presbytery, appeared in Synod and took their seats.

The statistical Reports from the Presbyteries were called for, they were presented, read, and are as follows:

THE PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE REPORT

To the Synod of North Carolina that they consist of twenty-eight Ministers, and have under their care forty-six churches, four licentiates, and seven candidates. That on the 5th day of February, 1859, they dissolved the pastoral relation existing between Rev. William N. Mebane and the churches of Spring Garden and Madison; that the Rev. Daniel McGilvary, formerly of this Presbytery, has become a member, of the Presbytery of Siam by the late organization of that Presbytery; that since the last meeting of Synod they have lost by death the Rev. William N. Mebane, and that they have stricken from the roll the name of the Rev. Thomas R. Owen; that on the 5th day of February, 1859, they dismissed Mr. John H. Coble, a candidate for the ministry, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of North Mississippi, and on the 6th day of the same month they ordained Mr. John B Shearer, and installed him pastor of Chapel Hill church; that on the 23d day of March last, they dismissed Rev. J. J. Smith to join the Presbytery of Indianapolis; that on the 16th day of June, 1859, they received Rev. J. Henry Smith from the Presbytery of West Hanover, and on the 4th Sabbath in July installed him pastor of Greensboro' church; that on the 16 day of June last, they received Mr Frontis H. Johnston, a licentiate from the Presbytery of Concord, and on the 30th day of July, they ordained him, and on the same day installed him pastor of the church of Lexington; that on the 16th day of July they ordained Mr. Ephraim H. Harding, and on the same day installed him pastor of the church of Spring Hill; that on the 8th day of September they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. C. K Caldwell and the churches of Buffalo and Bethel, and that on the 28th day of October, 1859, they dissolved the pastoral relation between the Rev. George W. Ferrill and the Spring Grove church

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Nov'r 2, 1859. JACOB DOLL, *Stated Clerk.*

THE PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD REPORT

To the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of forty-four ministers, and have under their care sixty-seven churches five licentiates and four candidates; that on the 19th day of September, 1858, they organized the church of Shelby; that on the 22d day of February, 1859, they dismissed Rev H. B Cunningham, D D., with a view of connecting himself with the Presbytery of Charleston S. C.; that on the

14th day of April, 1859, they dismissed J. H. Barr, a licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Chickasaw; that on the same day they received under their care, as a licentiate, John Curtis Stewart from the Presbytery of East Alabama; that on the same day Frontis Howe Johnston, a licentiate under our care was dismissed, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Orange; that on the 15th day of April, 1859, they received as members, Rev. John C. Carson and Rev. William Graves from Union Presbytery, (N. S.); that on the same day they dismissed Rev. William G. Campbell with a view of connecting himself with the Presbytery of Lexington, Va; that on the 16th day of April, 1859, they dissolved the pastoral relation existing between the Rev. S. C. Alexander and the church of Thyatira, and declared said church vacant; that on the 18th day of April, 1859, they licensed James C. Alexander and R. B. Anderson to preach the Gospel as probationers for the Holy Ministry; that on the 7th day of May, 1859, they ordained to the full work of the ministry as an Evangelist, John Curtis Stewart; that on the 22nd day of July, 1859, they dissolved the pastoral relation existing between the Rev. A. Baker and the church of Salisbury, and declared said church vacant; that on the same day they dissolved the pastoral relation existing between the Rev. B. S. Krider and the church of Franklin, (Rowan Co,) and declared said church vacant; that on the 23d day of July, 1859, they ordained to the full work of the ministry William A. Wood, and installed him pastor over the united churches of Bethany, Tabor, and Fifth Creek; that on the same day they licensed J. DeWitt Burkhead and R. H. Caldwell to preach the Gospel as probationers for the Holy Ministry; that on the 18th day of August, 1859, they organized the church of Beulah; that on the 27th day of August, 1859, they ordained to the full work of the ministry John Davis Wilson, and installed him pastor over the church of Taylorsville; that on the 9th day of September, 1859, they received as a member, Rev. Nathan Shotwell, from the Presbytery of Huntington, Pa; that on the same day they dismissed William Thomas Hall, a licentiate under our care, with a view of placing himself under the care of the Presbytery of Bethel, S. C.; that on the 10th day of September, 1859, they dissolved the pastoral relation existing between Rev. S. C. Alexander and the church of Back Creek, and declared said church vacant; that on the 30th day of September, 1859, they dissolved the pastoral relation existing between Rev. Walter S. Pharr and the church of Ramah, and declared said church vacant; that on the 9th day of October, 1859, they installed Rev. Nathan Shotwell over the church of Rutherfordton; that on the 11th day of October, 1859, they installed Rev. Nathan Shotwell over the church of Little Brittain; and that on the 22d day of October, 1859, they installed Rev. William S. Moore over the united churches of Franklin, (Macon Co,) and Ebenezer.

By order of Presbytery,

R. H. LAFFERTY, *Stated Clerk.*

Charlotte, N. C., Nov'r 1, 1859.

THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE

Would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that at present they consist of twenty-eight Ministers and have under their care four licentiates, five candidates for the ministry, and sixty-four churches; that on the 13th day of January, 1859, they installed Rev. John C. Sinclair, pastor of Galatia church; that on the 14th

day of the same month, they ordained to the full work of the Gospel ministry, Mr. George A. Russell and installed him pastor of the united congregations of Carthage and Union (in Moore); that on the 7th day of April, 1859, they received under their care the newly organized Second church of Wilmington; that on the same day they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. Hector McAlister and the church of China Grove and declared said church vacant; that on the 8th day of the same month they received under their care the newly organized churches of Pee Dee and Laurinburgh; that on the 9th day of the same month they received under their care by letter Mr. David Fairly, a licentiate from the Presbytery of Harmony, S. C.; that on the same day they ordained to the full work of the Gospel ministry, Messrs. Nathan T. Bowden and Archibald McQueen; that on the 11th day of June, 1859, they installed Rev. J. P. McPherson, Pastor of Laurel Hill Church; that on the 16th day of the same month they installed Rev. Archibald McQueen, Pastor of Harmony Church; that on the 17th day of September 1859, they installed Rev. Nathan T. Bowden, Pastor of Sharon Church, and that on the 30th day of October 1859, they received under their care, the newly organized church of Oak Plain.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery,

J. P. McPHERSON, *Stated Clerk.*

Beth-Car Church, October 31, 1859.

The committee to whom the report of the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary was referred, made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary report: That upon examination they find nothing calling for action on the part of this Synod, except a request for a slight modification of the Constitution of the Seminary. In compliance with this request they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Constitution of Union Theological Seminary be altered (the Synod of Virginia and Winchester Presbytery consenting,) so as to allow the Directors to appoint the Chairman of the Faculty each year.

The committee appointed to prepare a minute on the death of the Rev. William N. Mebane, made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The Synod of North-Carolina having received tidings of the death of the Rev. William N. Mebane, a member of this body, are reminded that we are all Stewards of God, and that we shall soon be called to give an account of the trust committed to us.

Brother Mebane graduated at the University of North-Carolina, in 1833, with great credit to himself, and made a public profession of religion while a student in that Institution. He afterwards served his Alma Mater for one year in the capacity of tutor and discharged with his might what his hands found to do. In September 1833, he put himself under the care of Orange Presbytery, during its sessions at New Hope Church, and pursued his Theological course at Princeton Seminary.

His physical constitution was feeble and languid. Yet his disposition was cheerful

and his mind active and sprightly. Rarely, if ever, has any servant with so little strength, accomplished more for his Lord and Master. He laboured in season and out of season, in the church and from house to house—always most happy and cheerful when engaged directly in the work of bringing souls to Christ. It seemed to be his meat and drink to do the will of Him that sent him to preach the Gospel. Always did he bear about in his body the dying of the Lord Jesus—always too was the life of Jesus made manifest in his body.

No man was ever more cheerful in spirit, who suffered so much, than brother Mebane. When in the hottest furnace of affliction he has been known to say, "even so Father for so it seemeth good in thy sight."

Having well done the work to which he had been called, and kept the faith, he felt that he must soon pass through the dark valley and shadow of death. And with all the deliberation and composure with which one would take an evening walk, he set his house in order. And though in his last hours he experienced no rapturous emotion, yet his hope in Christ, was firm to the end. He died as he lived, having no confidence in the flesh, but with a strong and unshaken reliance on the meritorious sufferings and death of the Saviour of sinners.

The auditing committee on the Treasurer's account presented the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The committee on the Treasurer's account reports that the vouchers accompanying it fully sustain its statements, and that there is in the Treasurer's hands a surplus of one hundred and ninety-seven dollars and six cents. The following resolution is also presented for adoption in accordance with the Treasurer's suggestion:

That the assessments on the several Presbyteries shall be sixty dollars a year, until a further change is advisable.

The Treasurer was directed to pay the sum of eight dollars to the late Stated Clerk, for postage in the year 1857.

The Judicial Committee made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The Judicial committee report,

1. That there have been placed in their hands two complaints and one appeal, respecting the organization of the church of Laurinburgh, in the Presbytery of Fayetteville; and as they all relate to the same subject, your committee recommend that for the better understanding of the whole matter all the papers be first read in the order in which they have been arranged by the committee, viz:

1. The Records of Laurel Hill church, page 36, January 3d, 1858.
2. The petition of a part of Laurel Hill church presented at Ashpole church.
3. The action of Fayetteville Presbytery at Ashpole. See printed Minutes page 28.
4. The petition of a part of Laurel Hill church, presented at Bluff church.
5. The action of Fayetteville Presbytery. See printed minutes, pages 8 and 10. Also the minutes of the adjourned meeting at Laurel Hill. See printed minutes, pages 21 and 22.
6. Appeal of Milton McIntosh to the Synod of North Carolina from the action of Fayetteville Presbytery.
7. The complaint of James P. McPherson and others against the action of Fayetteville Presbytery.

8. The proceedings of Fayetteville Presbytery, April 8th. See page 9th, printed minutes.

9. The majority report. See printed minutes page 10.

10. Minority report. M. S.

11. The complaint of Rev James Sinclair and Rev. James P. McPherson.

The committee further recommend that the Synod then take up

1. The Appeal of Milton McIntosh from the action of Fayetteville Presbytery.

2. The complaint of Rev. James P McPherson and others.

3. The complaint of Rev James Sinclair and Rev. James P McPherson.

4. That the appellant and the complainants in each case be first heard, after which the Presbytery shall be heard in reply, and then the roll shall be called, for the members of Synod to express their views.

The business contained in the foregoing report of the Judicial committee was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning.

The committee on Devotional Exercises reported, recommending the hour of 7 o'clock, P. M, on Friday as the time for the hearing of the Agent on Foreign Missions; 11 o'clock, A. M., on Saturday for hearing the Agent on Education; and 7 o'clock P. M., for hearing the report of the Agent of Domestic Missions.

Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1859.

Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called and the Minutes were read.

The Rev. Dr. Deems, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, being present, was invited to sit as a Corresponding member.

Rev. J. C. Stewart, of Concord Presbytery, appeared in Synod and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

The committee appointed at the last meeting of Synod to prepare a minute on the death of the Rev. William Paisley failing

to report, were discharged, and Rev. S. A. Stanfield, Rev. J. Henry Smith, and Mr. William H. Bingham were appointed a committee to prepare this minute.

Rev. J. M. Sprunt, Messrs J. R. Dyer, S. B. Rivenback, G. S. Carr and R. B. Carr, Ruling Elders from Fayetteville Presbytery, appeared in Synod and took their seats.

The committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Concord presented the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Concord, report that they have attended to the duty assigned them, and recommend that they be approved to page 398.

The appeal of Milton McIntosh from the action of Fayetteville Presbytery, being the first order of the day, the Moderator stated that the Synod was about to proceed to judicial business, and reminded the members of their duty as a court of Jesus Christ.

Rev. J. L. Wilson, D. D., of the Synod of South Carolina, being present, was invited to sit as a Corresponding member.

The judicial case was then taken up in the order prescribed in the report of the Judicial Committee.

All the papers were read.

The appellant, Mr. Milton McIntosh was heard through the Rev. Neill McKay.

Rev. F. K. Nash and Rev. M. B Grier appeared in behalf of Fayetteville Presbytery.

Mr. Nash spoke first, and pending his remarks the hour for recess arrived.

Mr. C. H. Wiley, Ruling Elder from Orange Presbytery, appeared in Synod and took his seat.

Rev. J. H. McNeill, of the Synod of New Jersey, and Rev. Evander McNair, of the Synod of Alabama, being present, were invited to sit as Corresponding members.

Synod then took a recess until three o'clock, P. M.

After recess Synod met.

Mr. J. H. Hicks, a Ruling Elder from the Fayetteville Presbytery, appeared in Synod and took his seat.

Synod then proceeded with the unfinished business, viz: The appeal of Milton McIntosh.

Rev. F. K. Nash, in behalf of Fayetteville Presbytery, concluded his remarks.

The committee on Devotional Exercises reported, recommending that it be made the order of the day for to-morrow, at 3 o'clock, P. M., to hear Rev. James H. McNeill in behalf of the American Bible Society. This report was adopted.

Rev. M. B. Grier, in behalf of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, was next heard. After which the clerk called the roll of the members of Fayetteville Presbytery for remarks. Pending these remarks the Synod took a recess until 7 o'clock, P. M.

After recess Synod met.

Leave of absence, after the sessions of this evening, was granted to Messrs. C. T. Alexander, E. C. Wallace, A. C. York, and E. Nye Hutchison.

The reading of the report of the Agent on Foreign Missions was postponed until to-morrow morning at 10½ o'clock.

Rev. S. Mattoon, Missionary from Siam then addressed the Synod on the subject of Foreign Missions.

Rev. J. L. Wilson, D. D., Cor. Sec'y of the Board of Foreign Missions, also addressed the Synod on the same subject.

The Synodical collection for Foreign Missions was then taken up, which amounted to one hundred and sixty-five dollars.

Rev. J. M. Atkinson appeared in Synod and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

The report on Systematic Benevolence from the Presbytery of Orange was read, received, and is as follows:

It appears on the whole that the contributions to the several Boards of our Church and the various objects of benevolence, have been on the increase during the past year, and on the part of several of the churches within our bounds, this increase is very gratifying, and affords occasion for special thanksgiving. It is a matter of regret, however, that more than one third of our churches have either given very little or nothing toward benevolent purposes. Some have given nothing, and others, while they have contributed something to one or two of the Boards, have neglected the others entirely. Your committee would respectfully suggest the propriety of calling the attention of these churches, many of which are vacant, to their duty in this respect, and recommend that Pastors and stated supplies appointed by Presbytery to visit

and preach at all the churches, be requested to bring the matter more prominently before them, and enjoin upon them to give statedly of their means to the carrying out of the christian and benevolent purposes of our church.

The Stated Clerk presented the following report which was adopted:

Report of the Synod of North Carolina to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

The Synod of North Carolina reports to the General Assembly that it consists in whole of one hundred Ministers, having under its care one hundred and seventy seven churches, thirteen licentiates and sixteen candidates, viz:

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Churches.	Licentiates.	Candidates.
1st. Orange	28	46	4	7
2nd. Concord	44	67	5	4
3rd. Fayetteville	28	64	4	5
Total	100	177	13	16

The Synod further reports that its next meeting will be held in the town of Statesville, N. C., on the 24th day of October, 1860, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod then proceeded to the unfinished business of this morning, viz: The appeal of Milton McIntosh.

The Clerk continued to call the roll of the members of Fayetteville Presbytery, for remarks.

Pending these remarks the Synod adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

Saturday, November 5, 1859.

Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called, and the Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The committee on Bills and Overtures made a report which was received and laid on the table for the present.

The committee appointed to prepare a Minute on the death of the Rev. William Paisley, was continued and directed to report at the next meeting of Synod.

Letters were received from the Rev. A. G. Hughes and Rev. William S. Moore, giving satisfactory reasons for absence from the present sessions of Synod.

Synod again took up the unfinished business, viz: The appeal of Milton McIntosh.

The remaining members of Fayetteville Presbytery were heard. After which the original parties withdrew from the house. The roll was then called, giving each of the remaining members of Synod an opportunity to express his opinion in the case. The roll was again called, and the vote taken on the appeal of Milton McIntosh from the action of Fayetteville Presbytery. The result was as follows: Sustained 2; Not sustained 52; *Non liquet* 3.

Rev. Willis L. Miller and Mr. C. H. Wiley, Ruling Elder, obtained leave of absence after the sessions of this morning.

The order of the day was then taken up, viz: The reading of the report of the Agent on Foreign Missions. This report was accepted, and the resolutions appended were adopted, and are as follows:

1. *Resolved*, That it is the duty of ministers and other office-bearers in the churches under our care, to adopt some plan by which they may secure systematic giving, not only in all the churches, but in all the members of the churches.

2. *Resolved*, That in connection with the annual reports of Pastors on the state of Religion, it be an item of that report to state distinctly the number of members in each church that give systematically, in order that this information may have a place in the Narrative of Synod to the churches.

The following preamble and resolution were adopted:

Whereas, The Mission among the Choctaws, highly favored in the Providence, and by the grace of God, has been cut off by the recent action of the A. B. C. F. M., with which they had been connected; Therefore

Resolved, That the Board of Foreign Missions be recommended by the Synod of North Carolina to sustain them in the event of their making application to be received under the care of the General Assembly.

Messrs. Dyer and Everett, Ruling Elders, obtained leave of absence from the remaining sessions of Synod.

The committee appointed at the last meeting of Synod to prepare a report on the death of the Rev. John H. Pickard, beg leave to present the following report:

The Synod desire to place upon their records their affectionate and respectful regard to the memory of Rev. John H Pickard, so long a member of this body.

He was born in Orange county, North Carolina, in March, 1783. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Orange in 1815, and about the year 1816 or 1817 he was ordained and settled as Stated Supply at Bethesda church, in Caswell county, North Carolina. He labored statedly in this field in connection with Stony Creek congregation, for more than thirty years. Afterward in consequence of failing strength, and especially the partial loss of his sight, he labored only occasionally at these churches, and occasionally at destitute places in the surrounding country.

He was an earnest and faithful preacher and a man noted for his humble and fervent piety. He is now removed from the church below to the church above; his work is done. On the 11th day of September, 1858, he died in peace, having frequently, during his last illness, given expression to a confident hope of a glorious and blessed immortality.

The committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly made the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The committee on the Minutes of the last General Assembly recommend that this Synod adopt and reiterate substantially the following injunctions and recommendations of that body.

1. With reference to an increased liberality in the cause of Foreign Missions, that "the Ministers and Ruling Elders throughout the church endeavor to instruct the baptized members in their respective congregations in regard to their obligations in this matter," and that parents be more careful to train their children to the habitual discharge of these obligations.

2. On the subject of prayer for the children of the church, it is recommended that the last Thursday of February be observed in all our churches as a day of prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the rising generation, and especially the baptized children and youth of the church, the officers and students of Colleges, Academies, and all institutions of learning in our own and in Foreign lands, and that collections be taken up on that day for the cause of Education.

3. On the subject of a call to the Gospel Ministry, all the Pastors and Ministers are "requested to preach once at discretion during the year, on a call to the Gospel ministry, setting forth the claims of both the church and the pulpit; that is, to portray the crying destitutions of our land, and at the same time to hold up for consideration such things as will recommend the Gospel ministry as a profession," ordained by the Great Head of the church, and infinitely important in all its bearings upon the present and eternal welfare of mankind.

4. In regard to the subject of prayer for Foreign Missions, which is as reasonable, as it is found by all christian experience to be imperative in its nature, and the life of every successful movement toward the conversion of the world. It is recommended in accordance with a suggestion, and the earnest wish of our Foreign Missionaries, that the 2nd Monday and the ensuing week in January, 1860, be observed as a season of special prayer all over the globe, so far at least as our church is consid-

ered, for the conversion of the world. Thus giving a united and earnest expression of our felt dependence on God, of our desire for the increased success of the Gospel, and of our sympathy with our missionary brethren who have taken their lives in their hands, and gone forth to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ to a dying world.

5. In reference to the Eldership: In accordance with a request which those who were present preferred to the last General Assembly, and as a means of promoting their improvement and their greater efficiency, it is recommended that all our ministers preach, at least once, in their respective charges, setting forth their duties, responsibility and great importance to the stability, growth in grace and onward movement of the great work in which we all are, or ought to be, engaged.

Synod then took up the report of the committee on Bills and Overtures, which had been laid on the table. The report was adopted and is as follows, viz:

The committee on Bills and Overtures to which was referred an overture from the Session of the Presbyterian church of Charlotte, respectfully report to Synod, that the paper which has been referred to them sets forth truly an evil of no little importance, which is too common and much to be regretted, viz: The non attendance of both pastors and elders upon the meetings of Presbyteries and Synod on account of the expenses which such attendance necessarily incurs: and proposes also a remedy for the evil which is to be regarded as both just and right in itself, and which is adopted by almost all representative bodies, viz: that the necessary expenses at least be sustained by those whom they represent.

Nevertheless, your committee recommend that the Synod respectfully decline sending up to the General Assembly the overture, which it has been so earnestly requested to do by the session of the Charlotte church; and for the following reasons, viz:

1. In the judgment of Synod the General Assembly has no constitutional power whatever to make laws for the church.

2. Because it is the acknowledged prerogative of the Presbyteries to say what laws the Head of the church has enacted for its government as well as for its faith.

3. Because the Synod does not believe that it is expedient, or will accomplish the end aimed at, for the General Assembly to overture the Presbyteries to pass an act, such as that proposed by the Session of the Charlotte Church to be passed by the General Assembly.

4. Because in the judgment of this Synod, the deliverances of both our General Assembly and our Form of Government are sufficiently explicit on this subject. See Baird's Digest, page 231. Also, Form of Government, chap. 22. section 3.

Your Committee further recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Synod, highly appreciating the object aimed at by the Session of the Charlotte Church, and fully recognizing the principle of common justice set forth in their paper; does hereby earnestly enjoin it upon the Presbyteries under its care, to use diligently all proper means to induce the congregations under their care respectively, to come fully up to their duty on this subject.

The Committee on the boundary line between this Synod and the Synod of Virginia made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The Committee to whom was referred a communication from the Synod of Virginia, requesting this Synod to unite with it in a petition to the General Assembly to make the line between the two States the boundary line of the Synods, respectfully report that they have had this matter under consideration, and are of opinion that it is not expedient to accede to the request of the Synod of Virginia at present.

Rev. Archibald Baker tendered his resignation as Agent of Foreign Missions. This resignation was accepted, and the thanks of Synod were tendered to Mr. Baker for the fidelity with which he has discharged the duties of his agency.

The Rev. P. T. Penick was then elected Agent of Foreign Missions.

The Rev. Neill McKay, Agent of Education presented his report, which was accepted, amended, and the Resolution appended was adopted, and is as follows, viz:

Resolved, That the Synod heartily concur with the General Assembly in appointing the last Thursday of February as a day of special prayer for the out-pouring of the Holy Spirit, upon the rising generation and especially the baptized youth of the Church, the Officers and Students of Colleges, Academies and all Institutions of learning in our own and in foreign lands; and earnestly recommend that it be faithfully observed throughout our Zion. And they furthermore recommend to the churches to unite alms with their prayers and to take up collections on that day to enable the Board of Education to assist needy Institutions of learning under the care of the Presbyterian Church.

The Stated Clerk was ordered to have one thousand copies of the Minutes of the present sessions of Synod printed.

Resolved, That it be a Standing rule of Synod that the Pastors and Stated Supplies hand to the Stated Clerk a correct roll of the Deacons

in the several churches, that they may be published in the Appendix to the Minutes.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of Synod be instructed to deposit with the Librarian of the Presbyterian Historical Society at Philadelphia, and also with the Librarian of Davidson College a complete series of the Minutes of Synod as far as published, and copies of the same each year as they are published: and that the Presbyteries composing this body be requested to do the same with their Minutes when published.

The committee on the Records of Orange Presbytery reported, recommending that they be approved up to page 69.

Mr. N. A. Currie, Ruling Elder, obtained leave of absence from the remaining sessions of Synod.

The unfinished business was again taken up, viz: the complaint of Rev. James P. McPherson and others, against the action of the Presbytery of Fayetteville.

The parties concerned submitted this case to the Synod without argument.

Whereupon it was resolved that the complaint be not sustained.

The complaint of Rev. James Sinclair and Rev. James P. McPherson, against the action of Fayetteville Presbytery in organizing the Church at Laurinburgh, was then taken up. The complaint was read, and the Rev. Colin Shaw was heard in behalf of Mr. Sinclair.

Synod then took a recess until 3 o'clock.

After recess Synod met and proceeded with the unfinished business, viz: The complaint of Messrs. Sinclair and McPherson.

Rev. F. K. Nash was heard in behalf of the Presbytery of Fayetteville.

The Rev. James P. McPherson was then heard in defence of his complaint.

The roll of the Presbytery of Fayetteville was next called, for remarks. After which the original parties withdrew from the house. The roll was then called, giving each of the remaining members of Synod an opportunity to express his opinion in the case. The roll was again called and the vote taken. The result

was as follows: Sustained, 2; not sustained, 28; sustained in part, 12; *Non liquet*, 1.

Rev. E. F. Rockwell, Rev. A. Currie, and Mr. Stephen Neal, Ruling Elder, were appointed a committee to prepare a minute expressive of the judgment of Synod in the case.

The next order of the day was then taken up, viz:

Hearing Rev. J. H. McNeill in behalf of the American Bible Society.

On motion, it was resolved, that it be a standing rule of Synod to call the roll of members before its final adjournment, and that those who leave Synod without permission be called to answer for such irregularity at its next meeting.

Mr. Thomas A. Allison, in behalf of the Trustees of Synod, presented the following report, which was accepted, and adopted:

Report of the Trustees of the Synod of North Carolina, at its Sessions at Wilmington, Nov. 2, 1859.

There is due the Synod and in the hands of Thomas A. Allison, one of the Trustees, the following notes for land sold, that descended to the Synod by the last Will and Testament of Abraham Lawrance, deceased:

One note on James Stephenson, due Aug. 22,	1849,	$108.00
One do " " " " " "	1850,	119.84
One do " " " " " "	1851,	126.26
One do " " " " " "	1852,	132.68
One do " " " " " "	1853,	139,10
One note on Jas Lyon and others, due Aug. 22,	1850,	39.10
One do " " " " " " "	1851,	41.30
One do " " " " " " "	1852,	43.40
One do " " " " " " "	1853,	45.50
Cash on hand October 9,	1851,	102.90
Loaned to the Synod's committee on Colportage Oct. 16,	1848,	235.00

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. ALLISON,
For the Trustees.

Synod then took a recess until 7 o'clock, P. M.

After recess Synod met. On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be tendered to the citizens of Wilmington for their kindness and hospitality to the members of this body; to the officers of the Methodist Episcopal, Baptist and Lutheran churches, for the use of their houses of worship; to the several Rail Road and Steam Boat lines for the favors extended to us in coming to

this place and returning to our homes; and to the authorities of this town for the use of the Town Hall.

The order of the day was then taken up, viz: hearing the report of the Agent of Domestic Missions. The report was accepted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes. Addresses were made on this subject by Rev. Messrs. S. A. Stanfield, J. Rumple, Edward Hines and J. Doll.

The committee on the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery reported, recommending that they be approved to page 58.

The committee appointed to bring in a minute expressive of the judgment of Synod in the case of the appeal and complaints against Fayetteville Presbytery presented the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The committee appointed to bring in a minute expressing the views of Synod in regard to their decision in the case of the Appeal and Complaints against the action of Fayetteville Presbytery, concerning the organization of the church at Laurinburgh, beg leave to report,

1. That though in the judgment of Synod there were in some respects irregularities in the proceedings of the lower Court, giving grounds of dissatisfaction and complaint; yet on the whole they deem it inexpedient to reverse the action of Presbytery.

2. At the same time Synod would not regard any of the parties concerned as incurring censure; and they hereby express unimpaired confidence in their Christian character, and especially in the case of the Pastor of the church of Laurel Hill.

3d. Synod would not dismiss the case without exhorting all the parties concerned to pursue the things that make for peace, and the things whereby the church may be edified and the glory of God promoted.

The committee on the Narrative of the State of Religion made the following report which was accepted and adopted:

Dear Brethren in Christ:—It becomes our duty to echo back to you the voice that has come up to us as a Synod, from the various parts of the field of labor under our care. This voice, like all our earthly life, is one of mingled praise and sorrow—of praise for the goodness and forbearance of our God and Saviour towards us, and of sorrow for the spirit of worldliness in us and the want of hearty devotion to the great work that hath been set before us.

Some of the tokens for good, for which praise is due to the Great Head of the Church, are,

1. The special manifestations of the Holy Spirit in some of our churches during the year. We are not able to report any general revival among saints, or any general awakening among sinners; but we are able to say that special tokens of favor have been shown to some of our churches. Among these we note with thankfulness the College Church within the bounds of the Presbytery of Concord. Here many of the sons of the church are gathered, and God in his mercy hath, we trust, heard the prayers offered for them by his people.

2. The general interest manifested for the ordinary means of grace in all our churches.

The attendance upon the preaching of the word has been good, and prayer-meetings have been maintained very generally, as a regular part of the weekly services of the Sanctuary. These means of grace have in many instances brought forth their fruits to the glory of God's grace in Christ Jesus, where no very special manifestations of the Spirit have been seen. Thus the ordinary channels through which our God builds up his church and blesses his people are honored and souls are saved, "the foolishness of preaching" becomes "the power of God, and prayer assumes the place that it should occupy as a means of growth among Christians, and of blessings to the unconverted world.

3. The attention paid to the instruction of the young in Bible classes and Sabbath Schools. Here, we trust, much seed hath been sown that will hereafter spring up unto eternal life. "Here the foundation hath been laid for a sound and healthful growth of our church, until she shall stand forth the beauty and the praise of the whole earth." What God hath blessed so greatly, we hope may never be overlooked by our people, or esteemed by them less than in former days. Our children and youth are the plants from which an abundant harvest will be gathered into the garner of the Lord, if these means of instruction be diligently and faithfully used. If not, there can be no harvest of blessings for us.

4. The special efforts made in many of the churches in behalf of the colored people.

There has evidently been some waking up among many of the members of our church to the responsibilities and duties that the relation of master and servant, as enjoined in God's word, has imposed upon them. And we hope that the time is near at hand when no servant "born in the house or bought with money" amongst us, shall feel that the master whom the providence of God hath set over him, "careth not for his soul." As members of the household, they should be provided with religious instruction. Their interests for eternity depend mainly

under God, on the faithfulness of God's people among whom they are thrown.

5. The evidences of progress in our church generally, within the bounds of the Synod, as exhibited

(1.) In the increased contributions to the various Boards of the church. As the chosen and well-tried channels through which our General Assembly is carrying out the injunction of the Great Head of the church, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," we cannot but look with great interest to the response given by the churches to the calls and claims of these Boards. This response is a good index to the interest felt by our people in the great and glorious object to be accomplished, and this interest shows the measure of their attainments in faith and obedience. Any signs, therefore, of growth in the grace of giving, are peculiarly gratifying. These signs do appear in the various objects of benevolence presented to our people in the Boards of our church. Their growth is manifest and healthful.

(2.) In the greatly increased interest in the subject of Domestic Missions within our borders. There has been far greater favor shown to this cause by our people than to any other presented to their consideration. The calls and claims of our own destitutions have been met with a liberal and open hand. Missionaries have been sustained in various localities, and the Evangelistic feature of our church polity, after having been long neglected by us, has been fully acknowledged and permanently incorporated into our measures for the growth of our Zion. All the Presbyteries are engaged in this work, with a zeal that deserves a hearty commendation. Twelve months since, it was a question of grave interest with the friends of progress, whether one Evangelist could be sustained in each Presbytery; now two are demanded and no serious doubts are entertained that they will be amply supported by our people.

For all these things we ask you to unite with us in thanksgiving and praise to Him who "hath the hearts of all men in his hands and doth turn them as the rivers of water are turned." Whatever of good we enjoy, is the gift of His gracious love and mercy towards us.

The causes of sorrow that mingle with this joy of our hearts in view of what God hath done for us through the past Synodical year, are—

(1.) The small measure of these blessings attained, compared with what we might have secured. The arm of the Lord is not shortened that it cannot "save to the uttermost," neither is "the ear of the Lord heavy that it cannot hear," whenever his people cry to him in faith. He is more willing to give than we are to ask. We have not been more blessed because we have not realized our wants, or because our faith has

been too weak to apply. God hath not opened to us the full store-house of his blessings, not from any defect of love in Him, but from our want of appreciation and of effort. He is always in advance of his people. Let us then "open wide our mouths," that we may be filled with all spiritual blessings in Christ Jesus. Thus shall our own souls be blessed and we shall be the instrumentality of blessings to others for whom we are bound to labor and to pray.

(2.) The spirit of worldliness that has restrained the blessings in store for that people whose whole heart is occupied in the service of God. This worldliness is the complaint from all quarters. There is an intense application to "the things that are seen and temporal," to the neglect of "the things that are unseen and eternal." There is an ardent pursuit of the pleasures of the world that fade away, to the neglect of "the pleasures at God's right hand" that last forevermore. Thus the powers that should be devoted to the service of God in Christ, are given to the world and its affairs. God is robbed of our time, our talents and our substance, while souls are perishing around us. Is not blood resting upon us, and will not God hold us to account for these things?

Let us then, as the servants of God, remember that "the day is far spent," that "the night is at hand," and that what we do for the glory of God and the good of souls on earth must be done quickly. Our time of labor is short—the day of reckoning is near.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all, Amen.

F. K. NASH, *Moderator.*

The Minutes of to-day were read and corrected.

The roll was then called, when it appeared that the following members of Synod were absent without permission, viz:

Of the Presbytery of Orange.—Ruling Elders—A. Hughes, and Charles Phillips.

Of the Presbytery of Concord.—Ministers—S. C. Pharr, D. D., J. D. Wilson, Wm. W. Pharr. *Ruling Elders*—D. A. Davis, D. A. Caldwell, T. A. Wilson, and S. McKinley.

Of the Presbytery of Fayetteville.—Ministers—Robert Tate, John C. Sinclair, D. B. Black, G. A. Russell, A. McQueen, J. M. Sprunt. *Ruling Elders*—J. C. McArthur, J. D. McNeill, J. A. Smith, M. McIntosh, J. H. Dickson, D. Campbell, R. H.

Moore, Sam'l Player, D. McIntyre, Patrick Murphy, M. McKay G. S. Carr, and R. B. Carr.

Synod then adjourned to meet in Statesville, N. C., on the 24th day of October, 1860, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer, and the Apostolic benediction.

J. DOLL, *Stated Clerk.*

APPENDIX.

Seventh Annual Report on Foreign Missions.

The duty of preaching the gospel to all the world, has been at all times admitted by the true Church of God. The *field*, of which God is the husbandman—Christ the purchaser, and his church the cultivator—is the world, all the world, and "every creature" in all the world. To preach the gospel throughout these vast limits, to disciple, instruct, and to supply them with the means of grace, is the end and object for which the church was organized, commissioned and made perpetual.

The different denominations of christians are now engaged with commendable zeal in this field, and our own beloved Zion, from the highest to the lowest judicatory, is now being moved to action, and bids fair to accomplish much. Many plans have been adopted by other denominations, which have been almost as various as they are numerous; which may account in some degree, for their repeated failures. In our own church, there had been but little concert of action in sustaining Missions until the present plan of *Systematic Benevolence* was adopted. But, notwithstanding its recent origin, the great majority of the good regard it as the settled policy of the Church; while the few, look upon it as an experiment and decline to give it their hearty support.

We are not surprised at this, however, because new plans and new organizations must meet opposition, especially if they disturb the slumbers of the sluggard, or increase the outside pressure of love upon the heart and conscience of the penurious and covetous. There must be obstacles and discouragements to be met, both in, and out of the Church, which can be overcome and removed alone by diligence, perseverance, and patience.

The short history of the plan of giving adopted by our Assembly, has shown, that in this respect, it is not an exception to the general rule. Yet the Assembly has great reason for gratitude to God, that this step of her ecclesiastical progress has yielded such rich fruits already; bidding fair still to increase, and that too, with a permanence as abiding as the church itself.

To those who love order, "heaven's first law," it seems strange that the first committee appointed by the Assembly, on *Systematic Benevolence*, was not until the year 1854, just five years ago; but since that time, its claims have been urged by that body most faithfully and pointedly.

As it does not fall within the compass of this report to notice the history of its workings, except within our own bounds, your agent would respectfully present the following:

1st. As we have already intimated, the approach towards system in our giving to the spread of the gospel, has been comparatively of slow growth, but with gratitude be it said, its growth has been steady. Though long taking root, the tree is healthy—its leaf does not wither, and it brings forth its fruit in its season. It is planted by the rivers of water, which ensures its growth; under its shadow many a pilgrim shall rest and be refreshed—and by its perpetual fruits many a hungry soul shall be fed and nourished.

Giving by system, as the Lord prospers his people, is the point which *must be reached* sooner or later by the church; nothing short of this will please the Master. This was a doctrine taught in the Old Testament church. By the laws of Moses, there were set times to give, and make sacrifices, and the proportions were not only named but required.

It is also taught clearly in the New Testament, not only to give, but to give by system. The early christians were to lay aside of their substance, that gifts might be made on the first day of every week.

Giving has always been enforced by the Scriptures, and systematic giving, not from temporary excitement—not on great occasions; but from the constant faith and love of God's people for the glory of his name, and the good of man. When christians can trust, and love God supremely, they will not only obey, but give all to Him; they will give themselves and all that they have.

Soon after the day of Pentecost, the saints being full of love to God, lost all feelings of selfish-

ness. And ever since that day when the Spirit visits the churches in a gracious revival, similar feelings and results are witnessed. All this stands before us as a history of God's love—a history of its influences shed abroad in the heart.

It is vain then to expect the church to be interested in giving, without that same spirit of love. The church gives or withholds, according to her faith and love. If it is true in philosophy, that water will not rise above its fountain, it is equally so, that christian benevolence will not transcend the piety and faith of God's people. If we have not faith enough to dedicate our sons and daughters to God for the work of missions, we have no right to expect that God will call them to that work. And if we are satisfied with our present number of ministers in the foreign field, we have no right to expect God will call others to go.

If we as a Synod are satisfied with the small number from our bounds, it may be, we shall have no others during this generation. And could it be ascertained that we are resting at ease with the present state of piety and liberality in our churches, our condition would be alarming. There is a woe pronounced upon them that are at ease in Zion. God gives to his church according to her askings, as far as we can see. Seldom does he pour out a blessing unsought and unasked. It is the earnest desire and prayer, that is followed by the showers of grace from above. Desires expressed in cold and formal petitions before his throne never have, and never will, get a hearing there.

Assuming the position that giving to the spread of the gospel, and prayer, have a common origin, impelled by the same high motive, we may see where we are. If our contributions to the treasury of the Lord, are amazingly disproportioned to the blessings and resources which God has given us, and our prayers are also far below the standard of required earnestness, it is high time that we awake to the reality of our condition and seek pardon for past neglect. Our contributions may be considered a good index, not only to our piety, but also to our earnest prayer. For, wherever there is deep piety there is liberality, and wherever there is true benevolence, there is earnest prayer. In a word, wherever there is a spirit of sacrifice for the glory of God among his people, it rises from a glimpse of Him that is seated upon a throne, high and lifted up; and having seen his glory, we are humbled in the dust, crying "Woe is me for I am undone;" and having heard his words saying, "Who will go for us?" each one will say "Here am I, send me."

But how these truths are to be brought to bear upon the churches, is a question of deep interest—one that should not be lightly considered by the Synod. It is to be effected by appeals made with tenderness and love. Light is to be thrown upon the path of the christian pilgrim. God's people may be benefited by rebuke, when their conscience condemns them; but never will they be led to liberality and prayer by denunciation or invective. It is vain to attempt to drive the inactive to diligence by intimating that they are niggardly from meanness, or parsimonious from covetousness. Let christians be instructed in the true faith of the church; let it be clearly understood, both from example and precept, that it is more blessed to give than to receive. That to give on christian grounds is essential to the scheme of subduing the world to God, as well as to keeping our own souls in a healthy state. The example of giving is laid by the Father Himself, He gave His only begotten Son, the greatest gift he could bestow. Christ gave Himself that man might live. The Holy Ghost having proceeded from the Father and Son, gave Himself, that he might enlighten, and save, and seal us unto the day of redemption.

God's ministers, called by the Spirit, gave themselves, to his work, they gave their energies and life. All the redeemed gave themselves, and promised to give of their substance. They admit that they are only stewards set over his house; and strange to say, there are many who forget to give any of the income to Him who is the confessed rightful owner. They forget, and begin to think all is theirs. Such christians must be visited in kindness, and reminded of their responsibility; and also that giving runs deep into the scheme of redemption; every thing rests upon it. God the Father gave His Son—Christ came to our world and gave himself up to the stroke, that we might live. Ministers called of God gave themselves and all to his cause. Church members then should not be an exception, they must furnish the means, to send the gospel to the ends of the earth. There is giving from beginning to end, in the plan of redemption; and no christian should be permitted to be ignorant of this organized scheme for saving man. A christian ignorant may refuse to give, but an intelligent christian never.

Sometimes, it is true, when the claims of missions are presented, if it is not done in love to God and man, there may be a failure, the avenues of the heart are shut up and frozen over. Sometimes too, the warm-hearted advocate may be received coldly, if not repulsed, on the plea of repugnance to so much begging. This is not always from penuriousness, but a want of instruction. Patience is required to remove these difficulties, while the Scriptural principle is to be presented with appeals to the conscience. The law of the Lord when clearly presented and comprehended,

cannot fail to tell on the hearts and minds of God's children. That law touching this question, is, that liberality is a grace of the Spirit, that alms-giving is an *office of christian worship*, and collections for the poor and the spread of the gospel, is an ordinance of God. Prayer and thanksgiving are on the same basis—they have the same source; united they stand, divided they fall: the one is the sacrifice of the lips, the other of the hands. If the christian is systematic in his prayers, he is really to become so in his gifts.

Has your agent reasoned correctly from the word of the Lord on this all-absorbing subject? It follows most manifestly, that the church courts cannot be excused from considering this subject according to its merits. They cannot treat it with neglect and be innocent. The responsibility cannot be thrown off from any member of this body, nor from any one of the lower judicatories, nor from any member of the church of Christ.

That was a bright day for our Zion when the Assembly heard the first report on Systematic Benevolence, because it was the inauguration of a new and happy era. That first Report entered as an element into the organization of our church, which is yet to work out mighty results, under the blessing of God and the activity of his servants. Since that day the utterances of that body have been heard from year to year, and repeated by all the Boards in their most earnest appeals, and reiterated by all the judicatories of the church, from the Assembly down to the Church Session. Thus the itinerant agency system fell to rise no more; having proved itself to be as unpromising, as it was unphilosophical and unscriptural. Our church in all departments in her length and breadth, is committed to this plan. Every lover of our Zion should, therefore, come up to it with zeal and energy, that they may be found at least, in the company of the faithful, who shall hear the "*well done*" fall from the lips of the Master.

Previous to the year 1852 there was no fixed and well organized plan of sustaining missions in this Synod. No permanent agents were appointed, as we have them now, to advance the claims of the Boards in our churches. The consequence was, that our attention was seldom directed to these vital questions, and our energies lay comparatively dormant. Before this, no order of the day was ever made on our docket for an hour to be devoted to the consideration of missions. Often did our Synod meet and adjourn without speaking a single word or hearing a single report for the furtherance of any one of the Boards, only as it came from some agent from abroad. Far be it from your agent to intimate that these subjects were not dear to the Ministers and Elders that attended; they thought and prayed over them doubtless; but a mere glance at the Minutes will show, that up to 1852 there was no regular organization in this body for the permanent furtherance of the Boards.—This *being granted*, your agent begs leave to turn to some of the advantages growing out of the resolutions passed in 1852.

It was then resolved that Synod appoint an agent for each one of the Boards, whose duty it should be to make an annual written report to Synod. These agencies were made permanent and responsible. It was also resolved, that an hour should be devoted to hearing each one of these agents at each meeting of Synod. These agents, I may say, have been led by Providence, to labor with commendable zeal, and this Synod cannot fail to see the rich harvest gathered from the seed thus sown.

1st. We see it in the *increased contributions*. In 1851 Synod contributed for the Board of Foreign Missions, $1,575. In 1853, $1,727 were contributed. In 1856, just four years after the present plan was adopted, the amount was $2,134. In 1858, after six years' experiment, your agent reported $4,069. In 1859, the present year, we are able to report an increase over last year of $619, making for this year, $4,688. Thus it is seen by these figures, that this Synod has advanced under this plan, from $1,575, to $4,688, in their annual gifts for this single Board, and I doubt not that the other Boards can show a similar advance in the grace of giving.

During this period, one missionary was led to go to the foreign field from having heard one of these Synodical Reports, and having gone from our bounds, he has drawn with him many hearts who sympathize with him in his great work, giving testimony of sincerity, by their increased devotion to the cause. Also during this period the *North Carolina Presbyterian* had its origin, which has had a wonderful influence on the cause of Missions.

2*d*. *We see it in the increased attendance at Synod*. The consideration of these subjects has created an interest in Synod which we will see by a reference to dates and facts. In 1851, '52, and '53, we will find several resolutions in our Minutes, to secure, if possible, a more general attendanee on the sessions of this body. Out of over two hundred and fifty that might attend, the number was sometimes less than fifty and seldom over. Synod organized in 1851 with 39 Ministers and 19 Ruling Elders. In 1852 there were 32 ministers and 13 Elders, making 45 members in all. In 1853 there were 38 Ministers and 19 Elders, a slight increase, which has been continued till the present. In '57

& '58, and '59 the Synod organized with more than 100 members, and that too, with very nearly as many Elders as Ministers. These figures show that in the last seven years, the attendance on Synod has increased more than 100 per cent. This is a gratifying progress; and while we should not attribute it as the result of any one cause, still it must be admitted, that this increase commenced with the adoption of our organization for the furtherance of Missions in 1852.

Your agent has thus laid before you the duty of giving, and that *by system*, together with some of the results, in order that we, as a Synod, may take courage and go forward in obedience to Him who is our King, who loves the cheerful giver, and who will reward every one who gives even so much as a cup of cold water to a disciple, in the name of a disciple.

In connexion with this report your agent would respectfully submit the following resolutions:

1st. *Resolved*, That it is the duty of Ministers and other office-bearers in the Churches under our care, to adopt some plan by which they may secure systematic giving, not only in all the churches, but in all the members of the churches.

2d. *Resolved*, That in connection with the annual reports of pastors, on the state of religion, it be an item of that report, to state distinctly the number of members in each church that give systematically, in order that this information may have a place in the Narrative of Synod to the churches.

All of which is respectfully submitted. A. BAKER.

Report of the Synodical Agent on Education.

BY REV. NEILL McKAY.

In previous reports your committee has attempted to present, not only a full and impartial account of the efforts and success of Presbyterians in the great cause of Education in North Carolina, but also to keep prominently before Synod the educational policy of the Presbyterian Church in this country, and its practical operations as developed through the agency of the Board of Education.

In effecting this, the origin, history, principles, labors and success of the Board had been fully and freely discussed. We will not now tax the patience or consume the time of Synod by extended remarks on this general subject; and yet we beg indulgence, while we call to mind a few facts, which all have learned from the last Annual Report of the Board, that we may, as a Synod, record our grateful acknowledgements to God, for the unparalleled success that has attended this most important agency of our church, as evinced in the increase of candidates for the ministry, the high character, and hallowed influence of our Colleges, Academies and Schools, and in the augmentation of funds. The increase of candidates has been more than one third greater than that of the preceding year, making the whole number in connection with the Board and in the various stages of preparation for the sacred office, one hundred and forty-one.

The aggregate amount of contributions approximates sixty thousand dollars ($58,-$50.18). In reference to the increase of funds a most encouraging and gratifying fact is, that the Board report "that there has never been so little outward agency in the collection of funds as during the past year. The plan of Systematic Benevolence or free-will offerings from the churches, at regular periods, under the supervision of pastors and sessions, is working with great efficiency, as might be expected from a plan that has the direct recommendation and sanction of the Scriptures." The report further states, "that the experience of the Board of Education is that the supply of funds has always equalled the demand. When the General Assembly increased

the annual appropriations to candidates, the churches increased their contributions proportionably; and when the number of candidates was enlarged in the providence and by the grace of God, a corresponding enlargement of pecuniary resources simultaneously followed."

This high state of prosperity and success is due, under God, in no small degree to the fidelity, zeal and efficiency of the executive officers of the Board, who have never failed to meet a single engagement and yet have avoided debt. There could have been no doubt of the high character and moral integrity of the distinguished individuals upon whom the executive duties of the Board devolve, but a corresponding degree of financial skill and ability is rarely found in the same individuals. And now that same grasp of mind, business capacity and financial forecast that has marked the history of this Board, is again developed in the reduction of one third of the executive force, and of course a corresponding diminution of expense in carrying forward this great enterprise of christian benevolence and piety.

With a large increase of candidates, an encouraging augmentation of funds and a field of almost indefinite extent opening up before the Board for future operations, we might have expected a call for more officers and increased salaries. But instead of such a call the Report says. "The plan of Systematic Benevolence has so much simplified the work of the Board in its ministerial department, and the General Educational operations have been so much systematized in the experience of the Presbyteries and Synods, and especially in the anticipated adoption, by the Assembly, of the plan of the annual Concert collection, that it is believed that the two Secretaries, who are willing to undertake the whole executive duties of the office, will be able to discharge them successfully, with the blessing of God."

It is more important, however, at present, to review our own efforts and success as a Synod, in the cause of Education for the last year. Such is the diversity of principle and plan of operations on the part of our Presbyteries in carrying forward their educational schemes, that we can only approximate accuracy in our statements as to the aggregate.

The whole number of candidates as reported to the General Assembly is, fifteen from Orange Presbytery, six from Fayetteville, and four from Concord. What number of these, if any, have any connection with the Board we are not able to report. Sure we are that the reports of the different Presbyteries to the Assembly, though accurate according to the records, do not cover the whole ground of encouragement to which we are entitled. The Presbytery of Fayetteville for example only reports six, and we could mention one congregation in that Presbytery which claims an equal number of candidates, and some of them far advanced in their preparatory course for the work of the ministry. So in reference to our contributions, accuracy cannot be reached. The whole Synod is reported as giving less than twelve hundred dollars, ($1,134.84.) Only one church in the Presbytery of Orange contributed to the cause of Education through the Board. The Presbytery, as such, report the payment of four hundred and sixty dollars to candidates, in all five hundred dollars. So in the Presbytery of Concord, only three churches contributed through the Board, while the Presbytery report fifty dollars paid to candidates, in all ($148.40.) In the Presbytery of Fayetteville thirty-two churches contributed through the Board. The Presbytery, as such, paid candidates one hundred dollars, in all ($486 44.) Thus showing that the different Presbyteries have different plans for the accomplishment of the same object; some act almost exclusively through presbyterial committees,

others partly through the committee, and partly through the General Assembly's Board of Education. Giving all proper credit for what our people have done for home institutions of learning, male and female, for those under the care of our Presbyteries, and for those sustained by individual christian enterprise and effort, in all $3,712.84, might not and ought not our Synod to give more ample scope to the cultivation of a spirit of general benevolence, by increasing the number of contributing churches to the general fund. We will find it difficult to convince the Presbyterian church in this country, that less than one fourth of our churches are called upon to give to the general cause of education.

It is upon an increased number of contributing churches "under the supervision of pastors and sessions," that reliance is mainly had for the future increase and prosperity of the cause of education in our church. No one would now be willing to abandon the systematic plan of Benevolence, and in lieu thereof reinstall the old exploded paid agency system. Much might be said in reference to the Schools, Academies and Colleges in the bounds of our Synod. We will only add in reference to the only Presbyterian College in the State, Davidson, that it is outliving all the difficulties and embarrassments incidental to the establishment of such enterprises and beyond all doubt is now doing an important work for the church in and out of the State.

In our last report we brought forward a suggestion in reference to the felt necessity of a school of a certain grade, which occupied the time of Synod and called forth an interesting discussion; the sequel is known, and we need not repeat.

This report concludes with a resolution published in the Minutes on the adoption of the report.

Report on Domestic Missions.

BY REV. S. A. STANFIELD.

The principal fact which your agent is at liberty now to report to Synod connected with the operations of Domestic Mission within your bounds, is the manifest increase of interest and effort in all the Presbyteries and most of the churches on this subject.

It is but four years since a proposition was made to the Synod at Greensboro', to employ one Evangelist for the Synod, and withdrawn because fears were expressed, that we could not pay our missionaries in the Presbyteries their salaries and then support an Evangelist. Now we have completed, by the Presbyteries, arrangements for the employment of five, viz: In Orange, two; in Fayetteville, two; and in Concord one.

In Concord Presbytery seven men are sustained in missionary fields, and partly by the missionary funds of the Presbytery and one by funds otherwise raised. The salary of the Evangelist is paid altogether by Presbytery. Thus making their appropriations about $2,900.

In Orange Presbytery seven men, as missionaries, are partially sustained, and one

Evangelist wholly, making an appropriation of about $1,925. Besides this a special fund has been raised to employ an Evangelist to labor in the eastern portion of the State. Thus making the present appropriations $2,925.

In Fayetteville, three missionaries in part, and an Evangelist wholly, are sustained by the missionary fund, at an expense of $1,600. They also have elected a second Evangelist and have a thousand dollars, making for the ensuing year $2,600 pledged to this work. We see then that $6,425 is now the amount of money expended for the support of Domestic Missions within this State, and should the Presbyteries of Orange and Fayetteville secure their second evangelists, this amount would be increased to eight thousand four hundred and twenty-five dollars.

The Evangelist of Fayetteville Presbytery has explored three counties hitherto unoccupied by Presbyterians. In each of which he finds that there is a nucleus for a church; people who want the preaching of our ministers and are willing in part to sustain it.

Without going now into details, your agent desires simply to state that in this department of benevolence we have everything to encourage us, and that the people as far as they have been called upon have said, "Go forward and possess the field."

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Your agent regrets that he cannot present a like encouraging report on Church extension.

For the past ecclesiastical year, the Minutes of the General Assembly show, that

Orange Presbytery,	of	47	churches,	8	have	paid	$127.00
Fayetteville "	"	63	"	13	"	"	766.00
Concord "	"	67	"	17	"	"	328.00
In the Synod "		177	"	38	"	"	$1221.00

One hundred and thirty-eight of our churches are reported as having done nothing for this cause. And yet it is a cause in many aspects, not less important than that of Domestic Missions.

The discouraging nature of these figures can only be fully seen, when we learn that much the larger part of this money, reported as given to church extension, has been expended in building and repairs by the congregations reporting it.

LIST OF RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS IN THE SYNOD OF NORTH-CAROLINA.

PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

CHURCHES.		RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS.	POST OFFICE.	
Grassy Creek,	R. E.,	Dr. John R. Hicks,	Williamsboro',	N.C
" "	"	Alexander Cooper,	Oxford,	"
Hawfields,	"	Stephen White,	Mebanesville,	"
"	"	John Faucette,	"	"
"	"	David Mebane,	"	"
"	"	Henderson Scott,	Melville,	"
"	"	George White,	"	"
Red House,	"	John P. Rainey,	Milton,	"
"	"	Richard I. Smith,	"	"
"	"	J. W. McCain,	"	"
Eno,	"	James W. Clark,	Cedar Grove,	"
"	"	Samuel W. Hughes,	"	"
"	"	Thomas H. Hughes,	"	"
Buffalo,	"	David Wharton,	Greensboro',	"
"	"	Emsley Donnell,	"	"
"	"	Harper Donnell,	"	"
"	"	Samuel Hatrick,	McLeansville,	"
"	"	Samuel H. Denny,	"	"
Nutbush,	"	John Bullock,	Williamsboro',	"
"	"	Victor M. Eppes,	Townsville,	"
"	"	Henry T. Watkins,	Henderson,	"
"	"	William C. Bullock,	Gregory's,	"
Speedwell,	"	James Irvin,	Troublesome,	"
Little River,	"	J. L. Woods,	Walnut Grove,	"
"	"	Hugh Woods,	"	"
"	"	Robert Redding,	"	"
"	"	Joseph Barlow,	Caldwell,	"
"	"	N. P. Hall,	"	"
Alamance,	"	Joel McLean,	McLeansville,	"
"	"	James Paisley,	"	"
"	"	Roddy E. Hannah,	Greensboro',	"
"	"	Wesley McMurray,	"	"
"	"	C. H. Wiley,	"	"
"	"	Finley Shaw,	"	"
"	"	Joseph W. Gilmer,	"	"
Bethesda,	"	Joshua Butler,	Locust Hall,	"
"	"	Stephen Neal,	"	"
"	"	Dr. R. H. Scales,	Lenox Castle,	"

CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS.		POST OFFICES.	
Bethesda,	R. E.	R. B. Watt,	Lawsonville,	N. C.
Stony Creek,	"	Thomas Moore,	Watsonville,	"
"	"	John H. Wilson,	"	"
"	"	A. J. Hughes,	"	"
"	"	Wm. Brannock,	"	"
Bethlehem,	"	Wm. J. Bingham,	Oaks,	"
"	"	Wm. P. Morrow,	"	"
"	"	Dr. O. F. Long,	"	"
"	"	Wm. Smith,	"	"
"	D.,	James S. Morrow,	"	"
"	"	Wm. Bingham,	"	"
Cross Roads,	R. E.,	Wm. Murray,	Pleasant Grove,	"
"	"	John Barnwell,	"	"
"	"	John Walker,	"	"
"	"	G. J. Tate,	"	"
"	"	Andrew Murray,	"	"
"	"	Dr. D. B. Walker,	"	"
"	"	Giles Mebane,	Mebanesville,	"
"	"	E. C. Forest,	"	"
New Hope,	"	David Hart,	Hillsboro',	"
"	"	Wm. Blackwood,	Chapel Hill,	"
"	"	David Craig,	"	"
Bethel,	"	Elijah Denny,	McLeansville,	"
"	"	Alexander Gray, Sen.,	"	"
"	"	Andrew Wilson,	"	"
"	"	Thomas Rankin,	"	"
"	"	Elisha Wharton,	"	"
"	"	Dr. J. A. McLean,	"	"
Raleigh,	"	William Peace,	Raleigh,	"
"	"	C. Dewey,	"	"
"	"	Jesse Brown,	"	"
"	"	James M. Towles,	"	"
Hillsboro',	"	Dennis Heartt,	Hillsboro',	"
"	"	John W. Norwood,	"	"
"	"	Thomas Webb,	"	"
Newbern,	"	Charles Slover,	Newbern,	"
"	"	Emmet Cuthbert,	"	"
"	"	Richard N. Taylor,	"	"
Oxford,	"	M. V. Lanier,	Oxford,	"
"	"	Sam'l L. Venable.	"	"
"	D.,	J. C. Cooper,	"	"
"	"	L. J. Davis,	"	"
Washington,	R. E.,	Joseph Potts,	Washington,	"
"	"	S. R. Fowle,	"	"
"	"	M. Stephenson,	"	"

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Washington,	R. E.	Jacob Vanderveer,	Washington,	N. C.
"	"	Gilbert Bogart,	"	"
Geneva,	"	Dr. J. L. Wortham,	Berea,	"
"	"	Wm. Clement,	Wallers,	"
"	"	Dr. J. A. Russell,	"	"
"	"	William Wortham,	Henderson,	"
Greensboro',	"	Dr. D. P. Weir,	Greensboro',	"
"	"	W. H. Cumming,	"	"
"	"	Dr. D. C. Mebane.	"	"
"	"	Ralph Gorrell,	"	"
"	"	W. W. Wharton,	"	"
"	"	Jesse H. Lindsay,	"	"
Milton,	"	N. M. Lewis,	Milton,	"
"	"	John Wilson,	"	"
"	"	Benjamin Hines,	"	"
"	"	Sam'l Watkins,	"	"
Danville,	"	J. W. Paxton,	Danville,	Va.
"	"	Thomas Grasty,	"	"
"	"	James Paxton,	"	"
"	"	Wm. J. Patton,	"	"
"	"	Wm. K. Mebane,	"	"
"	"	James Garland,	Spring Garden,	"
Lexington,	"	Dr. Chas. L. Payne,	Lexington,	N. C.
"	"	Robert Foster,	"	"
"	"	Alfred Hargrave,	"	"
"	"	Joseph Conrad,	"	"
Louisburg,	"	John Wilson,	Louisburg,	"
Shiloh,	"	James B. Daniel,	Sassafras Fork,	"
"	"	John J. Speed,	Brownsville,	"
"	"	John Amis,	"	"
"	"	Hon. A. W. Venable,	"	"
"	"	Geo. T. Baskerville,	"	"
"	"	John Berkely,	Young's ⋈ Roads,	
"	"	Thomas J. Gregory,	Gregory's,	N. C.
"	D.	James S. Amis,	Young's ⋈ Roads,	
Clarkesville,	R. E.	Nathaniel Tally,	Clarkesville,	Va.
"	"	Sam'l D. Booker,	"	"
"	"	John S. Daniel,	"	"
"	"	Wm. H. Morton, Jr.,	"	"
"	"	H. G. Hill,	"	"
"	D.	Sam'l G. Burton,	"	"
"	"	Geo. W. Finley,	"	"
Fairfield,	R. E.	William Clark,	Hillsboro',	N. C.
"	"	John N. Clark,	"	"
"	"	James Riley,	"	"

CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS.		POST OFFICES.	
Fairfield,	R. E.	Joseph Faucette,	Hillsboro',	N. C.
"	"	John Wilkerson,	"	"
"	"	Geo. A. Faucette,	"	"
Spring Hill,	"	R. V. Watkins,	Black Walnut,	Va.
"	"	Robt. Faulkner,	"	"
"	"	Dr. W. W. Carrington,	"	"
"	"	Wm. L. Owen,	"	"
"	"	Jas. N. Richardson,	Mount Carmel,	"
Yanceyville,	"	Alex. McAlpin,	Yanceyville,	N. C.
"	"	Dr. N. M. Roan,	"	"
Chapel Hill,	"	Charles Phillips,	Chapel Hill,	"
"	"	Wm. J. Hogan,	"	"
"	"	Hon. D. L. Swain,	"	"
"	"	C. Scott,	"	"
"	D.	Franklin Davis,	"	"
"	"	K. B. Waitt,	"	"
"	"	Prof. W. J. Martin,	"	"
Pittsboro',	R. E.	Dr. John Z. Davis,	Pittsboro',	"
"	"	John A. Womack,	"	"
"	"	Geo. Thompson,	"	"
"	"	R. McIntosh,	"	"
Graham,	"	Robert Hanner,	Graham,	"
"	"	Thomas McLean,	"	"
Ashboro',	"	Hugh McCain,	Ashboro',	"
"	"	Daniel Coble,	"	"
Madison,	"	W. R. D. Lindsey,	Madison,	"
"	"	T. D. Rosebrough,	"	"
"	"	Wm. B. Carter,	"	"
"	"	Hon. A. M. Scales,	"	"
"	"	Robert Galloway,	"	"
High Point,	"	Eli Denny,	High Point,	"
"	"	Malcom Shaw,	Trinity College,	"
"	D.	English Blair,	"	"
Roxboro',	R. E.	Edwin G. Reade,	Roxboro',	"

PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS.		POST OFFICES.	
Charlotte,	"	David Parks,	Charlotte,	"
"	"	M. D. Johnston,	"	"
"	"	J. W. Osborne,	"	"
"	"	A. Graham,	"	"

CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS.		POST OFFICES.	
Charlotte,	R. E.	J. H. Wilson,	Charlotte,	N. C.
"	"	J. A. Young,	"	"
"	"	M. B. Taylor,	"	"
"	"	E. Nye Hutchison,	"	"
"	D.	J. H. White,	"	"
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"	D.	J. W. Cowan,	" "
"	"	N. Southerland,	" "
Rockfish,	R. E.	J. W. Boney,	Teachey's, "
"	"	B. Carr,	" "
"	"	B. Wells,	" "
"	"	J. W. Carr,	" "
"	"	J. H. Alderman,	" "
"	D.	D. T. Carr,	" "
"	"	G. Boney,	" "
Pike Church,	R. E.	G. Orms'ey,	Burgaw, "
"	"	J. P. Hand,	" "
Grove,	"	Osborne Carr,	No P. O. reported.
"	"	James Dickson,	" "
"	"	Wm. D. Pearsall,	" "
"	"	J. E. Hall,	" "
"	D.	Dickson Mallard,	" "
"	"	Robert B. Carr,	" "
"	"	James B. Carr,	" "
"	"	A. Southerland,	" "
Mount Zion,	R. E.	G. S. Carr,	Island Creek, "
"	"	James W. Boney,	" "

CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

The names of six Deacons omitted on page 45.

Poplar Tent,	D.	C. Barringer,	Oak Lawn,	N. C.
"	"	Robert Johnston,	Coddle Creek,	"
"	"	L. B. Krimminger,	Concord,	"
"	"	D. G. Holbrooks,	"	"
"	"	F. Caldwell,	Oak Lawn,	"
"	"	W. Caldwell,	"	"